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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The applicants respectfully request that the within amendments be entered of record as same cancel, without prejudice. the claims rejected in the Office Action over the prior art and comply with

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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